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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of profit accrued from top 50 Public Sector Enterprises in the country during the last three years;

(b) whether better results have been achieved or are likely to be achieved by making them free from the Government`s control; and

(c) if so, the details of the action taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR.VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) The profit accrued from top 50 Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) as a percentage of total profit of profit making CPSEs for the years 1998-99, 1999-00 and 2000-01, the latest periods for which information is available, are as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Total profit of making CPSEs	Profit 50 CPSE	Profit of top	Percentage
1998-99	22508	22026		97.86
1999-00	24633	24065		97.69
2000-01	28492	28046		98.43

(b)&(c) As long as Government holds majority shares, Parliamentary and ministerial control would remain in some measure. However, Government have taken steps to give greater autonomy to CPSEs in taking commercial decisions in the following manner:

(i) Granting enhanced financial autonomy to CPSUs under Navratna/Miniratna category for investment decisions

(ii) Signing MOUs with PSEs.

(iii) Cancellation of a number of DPE guidelines